THE SENATE

Thursday, September 19, 1985

The Senate met at 2 p.m., the Speaker in the Chair. Prayers.

[Translation]

END OF DECADE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

MEETING HELD AT NAIROBI, KENYA—NOTICE OF INOUIRY

Hon. Paul D. David: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Tuesday next, September 24, 1985, I will call the attention of the Senate to the world conference called to examine and assess the results of the United Nations decade for women, that was held in Nairobi, Kenya, from July 15 to 27 last.

[English]

BANKING, TRADE AND COMMERCE

NOTICE OF MOTION TO AUTHORIZE COMMITTEE TO MEET DURING SITTINGS OF THE SENATE

Hon. Lowell Murray: Honourable senators, I give notice that, on Tuesday next, September 24, 1985, I will move:

That the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce, which was authorized by the Senate on June 25, 1985 to study and report upon the documents entitled "The Regulation of Canadian Financial Institutions: Proposals for Discussion" and "Final Report of the Working Committee on the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation (CDIC)," have power to sit at 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesdays and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on Thursdays for the duration of the above-mentioned study, even though the Senate may then be sitting, and that rule 76(4) be suspended in relation thereto.

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

COMMITTEE AUTHORIZED TO ENGAGE SERVICES

Hon. Joan Neiman: Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(e), I move:

That the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs have power to engage the services of such counsel and technical, clerical and other personnel as may be necessary for the purpose of its examination and consideration of such legislation and other matters referred to it.

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government): Honourable senators, we have no objection to Senator

Neiman's motion. Indeed, we are all aware of the necessity for that committee to be in a position to hire expert help when it is necessary. We all know that the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee has a rather hectic work load, particularly on the legislative side and that, of course, the hiring of expert staff from time to time is necessary.

I would point out to honourable senators that there is a caveat, and it relates to the monetary or financial constraints of the Senate at this particular time. The Internal Economy Committee has been wrestling with the funding requests of various committees. We are doing our best to keep up, considering the limited funds available. Certainly, we will give Senator Neiman's committee the same sincere consideration as we are trying to give to the other requests.

I have taken it upon myself to speak on this matter, even though I am not the chairman or deputy chairman of the Internal Economy Committee. However, I have been a member for some time.

Motion agreed to.

[Translation]

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

NOTICE OF MOTION TO AUTHORIZE NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE TO STUDY GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES ON POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Hon. Fernard-E Leblanc: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Tuesday next, September 24, 1985, I will move:

That the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance be authorized to examine and report upon the activities of the Government of Canada in its financial commitment to the support of post-secondary education and training;

That the Committee have power to engage the services of such professional, clerical and other personnel as may be necessary for the purpose of the said examination.

[English]

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. C. William Doody (Deputy Leader of the Government), with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding rule 45(1)(g), moved:

That when the Senate adjourns today, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, September 24, 1985 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.